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Docket: 0756-2378

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re PATENT application of)
Shunpei YAMAZAKI et al)
Serial No. 09/986,743) Group Art Unit: 2812
Filed: November 9, 2001) Examiner: A. Ghyka
For: LASER APPARATUS, LASER)
ANNEALING METHOD, AND)
MANUFACTURING METHOD OF A)
SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE)

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LETTER REGARDING PAYMENT OF ISSUE FEE

Honorable Assistant Commissioner of Patents
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Sir:

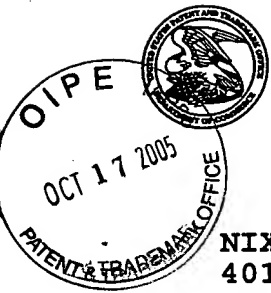
It is respectfully requested that the Issue Fee paid on April 27, 2004 be applied towards the current Issue Fee due October 14, 2005. Also, attached is the new Issue Fee Transmittal Form PTOL-85, along with a copy of Petition granting the Withdrawal from Issue indicating that the Issue Fee may be reapplied in this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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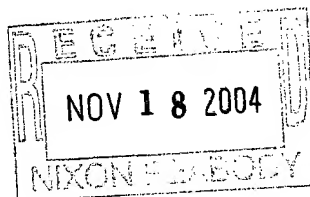
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ON PETITION

This is a decision on the petition, filed October 25, 2004, which is being treated under 37 CFR 1.313(c)(2) to withdraw the above-identified application from issue after payment of the issue fee.


The petition is **GRANTED**.

The above-identified application is withdrawn from issue for consideration of a submission under 37 CFR 1.114 (request for continued examination). See 37 CFR 1.313(c)(2).

Petitioner is advised that the issue fee paid on April 27, 2004 in the above-identified application cannot be refunded. If, however, the above-identified application is again allowed, petitioner may request that it be applied towards the issue fee required by the new Notice of Allowance.¹

Telephone inquiries should be directed to Wan Laymon at (571) 272-3220.

This matter is being referred to Technology Center AU 2812 for processing of the request for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114 and for consideration of the concurrently filed IDS.


Wan Laymon
Petitions Examiner
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Office of the Deputy Commissioner
for Patent Examination Policy

¹ The request to apply the issue fee to the new Notice may be satisfied by completing and returning the new Issue Fee Transmittal Form PTOL-85(b), which includes the following language thereon: "Commissioner for Patents is requested to apply the Issue Fee and Publication Fee (if any) or re-apply any previously paid issue fee to the application identified above." Petitioner is advised that, whether a fee is indicated as being due or not, the Issue Fee Transmittal Form **must** be completed and timely submitted to avoid abandonment. Note the language in bold text on the first page of the Notice of Allowance and Fee(s) Due (PTOL-85).